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FM AMEMBASSY VALLETTA

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SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER MINTOFF TO ATTEND COMMONWEALTH  
MEETING IN JAMAICA

1. GOM ATTORNEY GENERAL EDGAR MIZZI CONFIRMED TO  
AMBASSADOR APRIL 22 THAT PRIME MINISTER MINTOFF, AFTER  
MUCH BACKING AND FILLING, HAS DECIDED TO ATTEND  
COMMONWEALTH PRIME MINISTERS MEETING IN JAMAICA AFTER  
ALL. BECAUSE OF COMMITMENT TO ADDRESS LARGE LABOR  
PARTY RALLY ON SUNDAY, APRIL 27, HOWEVER, MINTOFF  
PLANS TO LEAVE FOR LONDON ON APRIL 28, OVERNIGHT THERE  
AND THEN PROCEED DIRECTLY TO JAMAICA APRIL 29. HE  
WILL THUS PRESUMABLY MISS OPENING SESSION OF MEETING  
IN KINGSTON. MINTOFF WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY HIS  
PRINCIPAL AIDE AND SECRETARY TO CABINET JOE CAMILLERI.  
NO RPT NO TRANSIT OF US IN CONTEMPLATED AT THIS TIME.

2. MIZZI INFORMED AMBASSADOR THAT HE AND MAURICE  
ABELA, SECRETARY OF GOM MINISTRY OF COMMONWEALTH AND  
FOREIGN AFFAIRS, WILL BE THE OTHER TWO MEMBERS OF  
MALTESE DELEGATION. MIZZI AND ABELA WILL ARRIVE NEW  
YORK AT 1630 THURSDAY, APRIL 24 VIA TWA FLIGHT 841  
FROM ROME. AFTER SPENDING APRIL 25 IN MEETINGS IN  
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NEW YORK (WHICH WILL BE SUBJECT SEPTTEL TO SECSTATE),

THEY WILL DEPART FOR JAMAICA ON SATURDAY, APRIL 26.  
THEY WILL NOT RPT NOT VISIT WASHINGTON.

3. COMMENT: AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN INFORMED BY  
A KNOWLEDGEABLE SOURCE THAT MINTOFF HAS BEEN TRYING  
TO WORK OUT ITINERARY FOR SOME STOPS IN ARAB COUNTRIES  
ON RETURN JOURNEY FROM JAMAICA. THESE ARRANGEMENTS  
HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLETED, HOWEVER, NOR CAN WE YET BE  
CERTAIN THAT SUCH A WING THROUGH MIDDLE EAST WILL  
ACTUALLY MATERIALIZE. SMITH

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